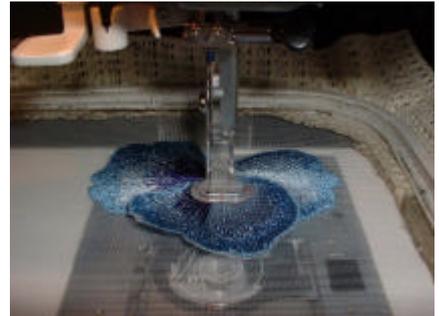
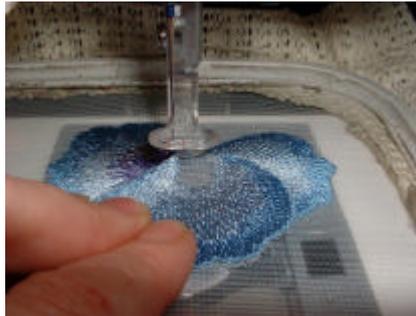
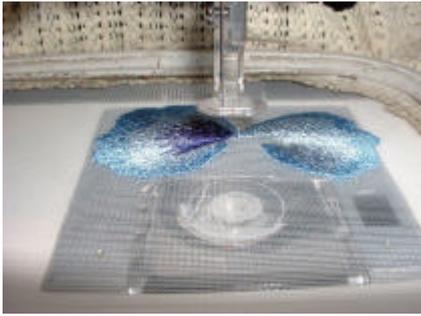


ELSA'S PANSIES

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The pansy design consists of three files, Parts A, B, and C, and they must be stitched in the correct order.

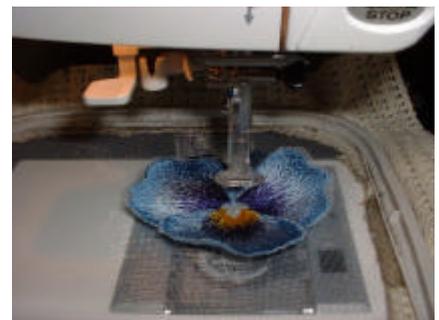
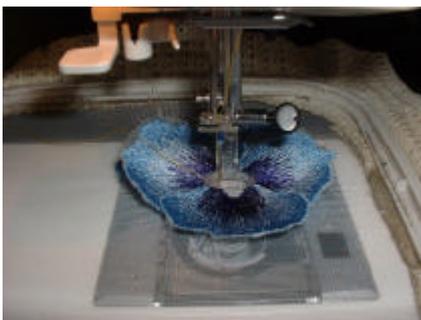
Part A: This is the lower petal of the pansy, and it will be stitched first. Hoop one piece of organza using non-skid matting between the inner and outer hoop to help keep fabric from slipping. Up to four of the lower petals can be stitched within the 4" x 4" design area if placed correctly before stitching. When stitching of lower petal(s) is complete, carefully cut around outside edge of each leaving a bit of fabric where center of the flower will be stitched later and set the petal(s) aside. If cutting is too close to stitching, a small bead of a liquid to stop fraying can be applied to edge. You can also use a 16 watt woodburning tool or electric stencil cutter to remove excess organza and seal the edges.



Part B: These are the middle petals of the pansy, and they will be stitched as the second part. After stitching part A, hoop organza and stitch the first two colours of part B. Begin stitching color number three. It will stitch the shading on the petal which is on the left side first. Watch carefully – stop machine as the third colour reaches the bottom of the first side.

Add Part A – line up carefully. Place the lower petal in place between the two middle petals. The upper edge of part A will just touch and be in line with the needle thread

Continue stitching the shading stitches which will now be stitching on the lower petal and will continue onto the petal on the right side. When this stitching is complete, remove the hoop from the machine and carefully cut out the two middle petals.



Part C: This part completes the top two petals of the pansy and finishes the center. Hoop another piece of the same fabric in the same way as for Parts A and B. Stitch the first three colors of the top petals. Before stitching color number four which begins the center of the pansy, position the already assembled Parts A and B so that the needle is just to the left and slightly below the center of the flower. **Make sure the pansy center is still flat** – resist the temptation to pile the assembled Part A and B on top of Part C. The yellow beard of the pansy will stitch around the lower petal first. Continue with the colors for the center of the pansy. When stitching is complete, cut carefully around the remaining two petals and the three dimensional pansy is complete and ready to apply to a project.

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